



# The Michaelman

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## Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year

### Enterprising Pair Prepare Bus Trips

by JOHN MURPHY

Vacationing Michaelmen from New York and Springfield, Mass., will have transportation home at cut rate prices, thanks to the work of Bill Dillon and Bob Digan.

Again both Dillon and Digan went out of their way to secure this service for the students. At Thanksgiving time, Bill Dillon came close to going in the hole because of students who signed for the trip but changed their minds at the last moment. Bill has more names than he can handle for the Christmas holiday so he has no worry on that account.

Another headache for Bill and Bob are students who sign for the trip but wait until the last moment to pay. The boys can't be sure of these passengers, but because of a full bus, they have to turn down others who would pay on the line.

The price for a roundtrip ticket to New York City is eleven dollars. Roundtrip to Springfield is seven dollars and fifty cents. These prices are considerably lower than the prices on a regular bus line.

The bus for New York will leave from College Hall Saturday morning at 11. The bus for Springfield leaves at 10:30. The last time the trip to New York took eight hours; the trip to Springfield took five.

### ALUMNI NEWS

Four of St. Michael's College alumni will be ordained to the priesthood today, three of them at Springfield, Mass., for that diocese, and the fourth at Burlington, Vt., for the Society of St. Edmund which conducts St. Michael's.

They are: Rev. William J. White, S.S.E., of Tuckahoe, N.Y.; Rev. John Joseph Johnson, of Springfield, Mass.; Rev. John Patrick Martin, of Springfield, Mass.; Rev. Peter G. Loughran, also of Springfield, Mass.

Father White who will be ordained by the Most Rev. Edward F. Ryan at 8 in the Immaculate Conception Cathedral in Burlington will say his first Solemn High Mass Sunday, Dec. 26, at 10 at the Immaculate Conception Church in Tuckahoe, with reception from 3 to 6 at 22 High-

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TELL 'EM COACH. With the new side line rule in effect, Coach Bennie Borgmann really explains the team's faults. Pat O'Doherty seems to be having troubles. Photo courtesy Daily News, Hawver.

FOR ART'S SAKE

By FRASER



## Science Hall Ready Feb. 1

### Radio Workshop Records Air Show

by DON GIBRONS

The St. Michael's College Radio Workshop, under the direction of Milton Slater of WCAX, has recorded its first program of the year.

The transcribed program will be presented to the radio audience at an undetermined date. It is a fifteen minute comedy entitled, "For Richer, For Richer," and stars Theresa Leary of Trinity College with Don Hayward of St. Michael's.

Unlike last year's half hour broadcasts, which were presented on "live air," future programs, at least temporarily, will be recorded and presented through 15 minute transcriptions. This procedure will allow for greater variety, since there are more of the quarter hour scripts available for use.

It is also expected to improve the quality of the work, for recorded programs need not be transcribed for the radio audience until done to perfection.

Time of broadcasts will be found in the daily papers, and will be heard through station WCAX - CBS in Vermont.

### Modern Facilities Tops In Country

The new Science building really has that "new look," as anyone who has been inside will attest.

John Buchan, superintendent of buildings and grounds, says that St. Michael's College has again pioneered, this time by having the rooms of its recently erected Science building painted in eyebrow lifting blues, red and yellows.

General Electric has solved the problem of equalizing the light power in all parts of a room by developing a new paint scheme and St. Michael's has put this process into use. The suggestions were incorporated into the plans drawn by Freeman, French and Freeman.

To understand the problem with which they were confronted, Mr. Buchan demonstrated by placing a sheet of white paper on the top

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### PURPLE KNIGHTS 67 LOWELL TECH 28

ST. MICHAEL'S	F.G.	F.P.	T.P.
Krupinsky, r.f.	3	0	6
O'Doherty	3	0	6
Hart, l.f.	2	1	5
Dean	3	0	6
Callaghan	0	2	2
Burzenski, c.	8	0	16
Kruse	0	1	1
Fitzgerald	1	0	2
Markey, r.g.	7	2	16
Ziter	0	0	0
Walsh, l.g.	3	1	7
Sullivan	0	0	0
Totals	30	7	67
LOWELL TEX	F.G.	F.P.	T.P.
Leitgeb, r.f.	3	3	9
Aldrich	0	0	0
Pesso	0	0	0
Needle, l.f.	0	0	0
Lyons	1	0	2
Pfeister, c.	2	2	6
Smoler	0	0	0
Morris	0	0	0
Rudes, r.g.	1	2	4
Grady	1	0	2
Godet, l.g.	2	1	5
Davis	0	0	0
Totals	10	8	28

Officials: Crozier and Maley.

ST. M. FROSH 67 - YMHA 46

### State Clubs Plan Christmas Dances

#### Welcome Mat Unrolled For Lavish Festivities

Michaelmen will be dancing over the holidays in the five greater Alumni districts at the annual vacation dances. Dances are scheduled in New York, Boston, Hartford, Springfield and the Berkshires.

#### NEW YORK DANCE

New Yorkers have the sensational affair of the Christmas season. A late afternoon-evening dance on the 26th at the Sheraton Hotel. Cocktails in the afternoon and a feed in the evening along with dancing is the program for New York students and Alumni.

Ed DePeter, Joe Fogarty, Ray Hanley, Dick Klaess, Ralph Kistner, Dan McMullin and Pete Troy are the campus chairmen of this always popular New York event.

#### BOSTON DANCE

Russ Brennan, St. Michael's sophomore, is general chairman of the Boston Chapter's Dinner-Dance the 27th in the Hotel Puritan.

The Hub area has over 200 Michaelmen at the Hilltop and will most likely have one of the largest dances of the Christmas season.

Working with Brennan are Frank Young, Bob Skelton, Paul Chamber-

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### Glee Club Serenades

St. Michael's College Glee Club entertained the patients at Fanny Allen Hospital Wednesday night singing Christmas carols.

Six carols were sung: "Silent Night," "O Come All Ye Faithful," "Little Town of Bethlehem," "Good King Wenceslaus," "First Noel," and "We Three Kings."

## FORTY NINE DANCES THEME SATISFIES SENIORS, TROTTER



The annual Senior ball last Saturday night brought to a close the pre-Christmas college social season.

One hundred and thirty-five couples attended the informal dance which was held in "renovated" Austin Hall. The appropriate theme of the '49 Gold Rush, successfully presented in 1947, was again used to the credit of the Seniors.

Music for the night was provided by the popular "Skilly" Williams band of Burlington.

At intermission group singing was enjoyed. By means of audience participation films, college songs as well as popular hits were sung.

Work on the dance theme was begun Friday afternoon when carpenters under the supervision of John Buchan, Supt. of Grounds, began assembling the skeleton scaffolding in Austin Hall.

This scaffolding was bolted to the overhead beams and served as the base for the decorative talents of Chairman Edward Lynch

#### ART BY FRASER

The tables were partitioned off from the dance floor by means of cellophane walls. One of the features of the decorations were the clever and original silhouettes on these cellophane walls and on the hall windows, designed by Art Fraser.

The "Purina Saloon" was one of the more popular hangouts during the dance and did a "land office business" in coke.

Chairman Lynch was most appreciative of the assistance and cooperation of Mr. Buchan in making the night a success.

As one of the best dances

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## EDITORIALS

### Cards On the Table

Last year the Student Activities Council accumulated several hundred dollars in our Student Treasury. With a portion of this fund some 30-odd badly needed card tables were purchased.

There was an urgent need for owning our own card tables, for in the past we had been forced to resort to borrowing any number needed for a dance from several local institutions. The utmost cooperation has always been shown by the people who loaned us the tables, nevertheless, it involved certain risks on our part as to the safety and condition of the borrowed tables.

Therefore, owning our own was the best solution. Although the number bought was not sufficient to meet the demands of our dances, it was a large step toward the eventual ownership of our own tables. The tables purchased are sturdy and decorative and do compliment the tastes of the S.A.C.

As has been said, these tables are needed. Why then, isn't there more attention as to their upkeep and safety by the Student Activities Council under whose rightful supervision they fall? .. They have been left in Austin Hall and apparently forgotten. For several weeks these tables, bought with money raised by students and to be used for student affairs, have been in a room in Austin Hall open to the use of anyone at anytime.

Some of them are beginning to look as if they had been used in some honky-tonk. Certainly they should be made available to those who have a legitimate need for them, but not in the manner existing now. The Council should keep them locked securely in a room to be loaned out when any group has need of them. But at all times the Council should keep a close watch over them.

If the present neglect of the tables continues we will never have the adequate number of tables that are needed for dances because the money will have to be spent for replacing the ones we already have.

It would be greatly appreciated by the students whose money was spent to purchase these tables if more considerate attention was paid to them by those under whose protection they rightly fall. This is not a very worthy example of the accomplishments of the Student Activities Council.

### This Means You

Say fellas! Gather around and let's have a good look at ourselves.

Here we are today, college men, striving for a superior education to produce the leaders of tomorrow, - men who, in the future years, will make the headlines of industry, reach the highest places in the highest brackets. Yes - that's your future Tom and Dick and Harry .... but at present, how are you living up to that future?

We all know the guy that calls himself "wise," the "practical joker," the "sport." What has he over us? Nothing! In fact he is far inferior to us. Yet these so called "wise guys," "jokers" and "sports," we see them every day in school.

Take for instance the "gentleman" who has a great kick out of disposing of his cigarette ashes on some young woman's coiffure. Sure, it's good for a laugh - for someone who doesn't know any better.

But how is it taken by the victim or the spectators? Then of course, there's the guy who has a severe case of writing ... the wrong time and the wrong places. His term paper exacts too much time effort, but just follow him around some day and see how much lead he uses for his own personal hieroglyphics.

Oh yes! We mustn't forget the character who, though mature "call of the wilds." He's the boy who goes around, for no reason at all, ripping pickets off the fence, bending spoons, stretching forks, and if his strength still holds out, does away with a few signs or flag poles on the side.

Surely fellows, this isn't normal, and moreover should not exist in an ordinary high school much less in our college.

Let's put a stop to it right away and give ourselves and our Alma Mater that name which is truly hers.

Don't forget that it's the small things that count and the small guy can be a great guy.

## THE MICHAELMAN

### HILL WIND

By Chub Helfrich  
And George Lavallee

QUESTION: Have you noticed any improvement in the food in the Dining Hall???

BOB PROVENCHER BARTON, VT.

Yes, the meals have improved about 60 percent in their preparation and there is also a little more variety.

DAN DOYLE SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

There has been a decided change in the preparation of the food, but as far as I'm concerned there is an over use of paprika.

CLAUDE TROMBLEY BRATTLEBORO, VT.

The meals have improved mostly in quality. The food is tastier. However, the quantity is still not enough.

DON SLAVEN BEVERLY, MASS.

There is an improvement in the food so far as the meats are concerned, but he over emphasizes paprika.

JIM MOLLOY NEW YORK CITY

Yes, the chow has improved though the diners are still doing a rushing business.

DAN FITZGERALD NEW YORK CITY

The meals have definitely improved, but sometimes they are not completely cooked which leads to waste and bad opinions.

JOE FARYNIARZ FAIR HAVEN, VT.

The food has improved somewhat, but as for me the meal isn't complete without a good cup of coffee and up to now the coffee has been discouraging.

BOB GELINAS SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

Although the taste has improved, the most noticeable improvement has been in the appearance which is "nice psychology."

JAMES EARLY HUDSON, N.Y.

In general the food has improved, yet there is still waste.

HANK McLAUGHLIN RUTLAND, VT.

The food has improved immensely, but I do wish they would give us more cottage cheese and less paprika and then I could say "I never had it so good."

RICHARD LAW HAVERHILL, MASS.

The menu has improved in variety for we have had less beef and more ham, steaks and the like.

BILL ANDERSON HARTFORD, CONN.

I can't say for sure, but we are getting less and less amounts of more and more foods.

### State Clubs Plan

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Iain, George Cummings and Frank Good.

Springfield Chapter of the St. Michael's College Alumni Association will hold its annual Christmas Dinner-Dance in the Embassy Room of the Hotel Kimball in the City of Homes, December 30. Tickets are being sold for six dollars.

Lou Marceau and Leo Denault, both seniors, are chairmen of the student ticket sale and are working with Joe Connors '43, general chairman.

A 12 piece orchestra will highlight the Springfield affair. Music will be furnished by Wendell Bradway, one of the larger orchestras in the area.

HARTFORD DANCE AND BERKSHIRE DANCE

On the 29th, Hartford and Berkshire Clubs will be dancing together - 100 miles apart.

Hartford Dance will be in the Egyptian Room of the Hotel Bond and the Berkshire Dance will be in the Irving House of Dalton.

Joe Briganti, Walt Liss, Buck McMahon and Joe Amato are in charge of the annual Nutmeg affair and George Strizzi, Bob Stanton, Ed Jadatz, Fran Lanoue, Joe Mountain, and Art Thibert are handling the Berkshire affair.

The St. Michael's College 1948 football team yielded only 15 points - two touchdowns, one safety and an extra point - over a seven stretch.

### NAPLES RESTAURANT

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Bill Acton and Tom Breen

### Campus Static

Jim McNamara and Larry Hooley have private booths reserved for them at Dick's Sweet Shop... What's the attraction fellas? Ray Kennedy is doing fine socially at Hanna's... As far as the big romance is concerned Russ seems to be doing alright for himself. Watch out Russ or you will be singing "Knight and Day" too. Ray Rodden, Jerry Shea, and Art Reed are "goody" little boys these pass few weeks. I wonder why?... The Messrs. "Tex" Conway and Leo Nash were overwhelmed last week upon the arrival of Santa and his magic plane in Burlington. They have waited so long!... Little Don Driscoll wants a tricycle for Christmas... Jack Orie is making holiday plans... transportation that is... Why was Red Dobby nursing a dollar in Montreal? It didn't cost that much did it, Red?... Russ Brennan has suddenly developed a deep voice, which is most confusing. Especially when he's driving the green Dodge... By SPECIAL REQUEST... Mr. Buchan, the hockey team has requested us to intercede for them in having the hot water pipe in the shower room covered over... It's burning them up... Ronnie Corbett was back on campus last week-end visiting his many friends... At the 49'er dance he was the center of attraction... speaking of the dance, it was by far one of the best this year socially and we hope financially... From the grapevine we hear that Jerry Sussillo will be in the hospital a while longer and would like to hear from a few of his old friends.. you can reach him at Halloran General Hospital or his home address: 523 78th St., Brooklyn, N.Y... Does Bob Digan make the \$1000 a year that they say he does from those buses to Springfield... Jack Dillon's getting to be widely known as the campus "big game" hunter... He caught two mice last week... Hats off to those active students who are collecting and saving paper for the NFCCS... too bad there aren't more like them... What's Marty Conley trying to do down at the "frat house," get out of paying his rent... the Christmas music this week has been just the thing to get you in that Christmas mood... Wonder if Lem Lloyd will come back from the vacation with another picture of his holiday escapades... that sure is a beaut he brought back from the last one... he looks about fourteen in it... We noticed quite a few of the married vets at the dance Saturday... it was good to see them out having a good time with the rest of the student body again... By the way you would be musicians, did you notice Fr. Hamel's notice in the dining hall?... A record of the school fight song is just what the school needs in the way of raising the spirit of the student body... The whole thing lies in your hands so see one of the Bernard twins and volunteer your services...

### Shamrocks and Shillelaghs

#### Shamrocks

To Father Paulin and the officers of the Sodality for the fine organization and the campaigning for new members. To Steve Guter for his work with the freshman team. To the Student Activities Council for giving the Outing Club \$180.00 for the purchase of skis.

Shillelaghs: To professors who are giving examinations Friday and Saturday. Some of the students have held their cuts till the Christmas vacation in order to leave for home early to work in the Post Office.

Well guys this ends it till next year. Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the two of us. See you next year.

Members of the Springfield, Mass. Club will meet in the lobby of the Kimball Hotel at 2, Wednesday the 22nd. Dance tickets will be sold at this time only - no tickets will be on sale the night of the dance.

LOST AND FOUND. A coat was lost in the Sugar House the night of the UVM - Middlebury game. Finder please return to Leo Denault, St. Leo's Hall.

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## Knights Rip NEC, 56-32

The Purple Knights put another marker in the win column a week ago Thursday by rolling over the Pilgrims from New England College by the score of 56-32.

This made it two straight for the Knights.

The Pilgrims, who were never figured to put up much of a battle in all pre-game write-ups, offered dogged resistance for one quarter and threatened at one time to match St. Michael's point for point.

It was at this stage that Coach Bennie Borgmann pulled out his first team, with the exception of Ed Krupinsky, and inserted combination number two. The second crew did much better than the first, and succeeded in running the score from 13-12 with the Knights trailing, to 24-14 at half time in favor of the boys in purple and white.

The second half opened with the same five who had pulled away from New England in the previous quarter. In five minutes of play, they rammed five field goals through the nets to put the score at 34-14.

At this point, Coach Borgmann cleared the bench of all reserves, and New England started a mild comeback, but the nearest they could come to the Knights was 40-30 with six minutes to go. Back came the starting five, and they put the finishing touches on the visitors by netting 16 points to their 2 in the time remaining to be played.

Ed Markey was the Knights chief point-getter with 12 points while big Ted Burzenski was second high with eight. For the visitors, John McKernan was tops with 10.

## Speed Skaters

St. Michael's College, the first Catholic College in the East to organize a speed skating team and to be registered as such with the New England Skating Association, Inc., will have an informal speed skating team again this winter.

The team will take part in the Dartmouth Winter Carnival, the McGill Winter Carnival and the St. Michael's Winter Carnival. The latter meet, the major event on the Hilltop school's social calendar this winter, will be held the weekend of February 4-6.

Last year, when the Purple icemen also skated on an informal basis, the St. Michael's array came in third in the Dartmouth carnival and second in the McGill carnival.

### PISCIONE BOSS

The team is under the direction of coach-skater Vincent T. Morin of Burlington, Vt., and Manager Henry A. McGinnis of New York City.

The candidates have been working out with the hockey team under the direction of Coach Bill Piscione.

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### BOSTONIANS AND WALKOVER SHOES



Billy Hart, speedy Knight, bounce passes by Robitaille and

McKernan of New England College. Photo Courtesy of Burlington Daily News, Hawver.



### Tony Cauley

On the basis of the first two games of a twenty-one game schedule, it makes it a little easier to say how the team shapes up this season, and what kind of a year we are going to have.

Up until the time a person can watch a squad in action, especially if that person is in strict sympathy with said team, the only thing to do is pour forth glowing predictions about the successful year coming up. That has been the policy of this column until now, but the picture has changed with the completion of our first two games. They say it is the easiest thing in the world to criticize.

This column disagrees wholeheartedly with that statement, in view of the fact that to criticize is to offend. We don't want to hurt anyone, but if we kept on saying that everything is going great guns, the lie would be right there staring us in the face.

A week ago last Thursday, St. Michael's played a team that has no business on the same floor with a class-A high school outfit. They couldn't pass, they couldn't shoot, their floor game was awful; in other words they were just out of this world.

But one thing they did have was a zone-defence, and right

then and there, our offense came to a slow walk. A person walking into the game midway through the first quarter would probably think himself a case for an eye-doctor upon looking at the scoreboard, for low and behold, New England was in the lead 13-12.

At this point Coach Borgmann pulled out the starters in favor of his second combination, who were able to break the zone up and pull into a healthy 10 point lead by half-time.

All well and good, but let's not forget that we were playing a team with a poor offense. If that had been Boston College or Vermont out there that night, we would have been lucky to be within shouting distance of them by half-time.

Speaking about Vermont, we went over to watch them whale the tar out of Hamilton last Saturday night.

Hamilton's squad was or about the same level with New England, and if Fuzzy Evans kept his starting five in there all night, there wouldn't have been enough room on the board to record the score.

## Knights Hit Road At Xmas, Meet Hofstra and St. Peter's

by RAY HOWLAND

The Purple Knights of St. Michael's College will make their first trip to a foreign court next Monday night when they travel to New York to face Hofstra College of Hempstead, Long Island, and then two nights later they cross over to New Jersey to invade the St. Peter's College Gymnasium in Jersey City.

### Frosh Hustle Tops YMHA, Rutland Jr.

by BOB FLANAGAN

The Squires won two basketball games last week and looked very good in the process.

Thursday night the frosh turned back the YMHA team from Burlington 48-36 in the prelim to the varsity's New England College tilt at Memorial Auditorium. Friday night they trekked down to Rutland to overwhelm a feeble Rutland Jr. team 72-33.

Thursday's game was easily the better of the two. Steve Guter's men looked as if they had had two months of practice instead of two weeks as they turned back the 'Y' team. The Squires were working under a height disadvantage of three inches a man against the tall Burlington team which started 6'4" Moe Glasston and 6'8" Dick Wallsteader, a graduate student at UVM and a former player at Toledo U.

#### CONTROL BACKBOARDS

It was the Squires' hustle which gave them an edge over the 'Y'. Farley, Duffy, Stapleton and company controlled both backboards by outjumping the towering opposition and their fast breaks were things of beauty. Even Moe Glasston who should be in shape after a summer of catching in the Cardinal farm system, was played off his feet by the swift Squires.

In contrast with the smooth 'Y' team, the Squires' Friday night opponent, Rutland Jr., played a rough and ragged brand of ball pretty much on the style of New England College.

Even with second stringers in most of the way, the Frosh had a 31 point half time lead and a final tally of 72-33. Meurer was high for the Squires with 18 points.

Steve Guter's only comment on his twice victorious Squires was, "At least they know what to do with the ball." However, Steve seemed pleased with the heads up play of the short but speedy Squires.

You Can't Charge Through Traffic Without Paying For It Later.

### REVIEW OF THE WEEK IN SPORTS

By HARRINGTON



Both Hofstra and St. Peter's are newcomers to the St. Michael's schedule and appear to be important contests in the Knights' rise to power in New England basketball.

The "Flying Dutchmen" of Hofstra to date have faced three opponents. They first trounced their Alumni in an effortless contest 71-35 and last week they crushed little Hillyer College of Hartford, Conn., another weak team by the score of 72-36. Friday they walked over Bridgeport 58-50.

At present Hofstra has only three certain starters for Monday night's affair, Captain Tom Fowley, Mel Emsdier and Bruce Hackford, former teammate of Holy Cross's Bob Cousy at Andrew Jackson High in New York. Other probable starters are John Cassidy, Matt Ernau, Henry Zalewsky, Tom Vesey, and Bernie Fitzgerald. In the Hillyer contest, Hackford hit for 17 points while Emsdier chipped in 13.

#### PEACOCKS POTENT

St. Peter's which looms as being an even tougher opponent for the Mikemen has nine veterans back from last year's team, which compiled 16 wins and five losses for the best record the college has had. Among the returning lettermen whom the Knights will face are Walter Sheil, 6'2", who racked up 251 points last year, Dennis Barry, who broke the single-game record of 27 points against Scranton U. and two centers Capt. Hugh O'Reilly and Frank Addas, 6'4" 6'5" respectively.

Other men sure to see action for the Peacocks include veterans James Williams, James Russo, and William McLaughlin, plus newcomers James Bradley, Thomas Smith, Walter Boyle, Ed Knightly and Francis Riegler, the latter three stars on last year's Freshman squad which finished a successful season with 14 victories as against five set-backs.

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# Collegiate Clippings

by CHUCK COLLOVA

Men, I think it's about time we sent a scouting party down to St. Joe's College in Maryland. I've been subjecting their VALLEY ECHO to close scrutiny for several weeks now and every issue serves to further convince me that we should establish intercollegiate relations immediately. I'd be glad to act as envoy. Take a look at the latest copy of their paper or any copy for that matter.

This isn't an alumni column but I noticed that a former Michaelman and fellow Dorchesterite, Robert G. Curran, is campaigning for Secretary of the senior class at Boston College. Our boys are right up there, huh? Good luck, Bob.

## Boston College HEIGHTS

Walt Hickey and the Free Press have been given a blast for their selection of the All-State football team. It seems that with approximately 46 men being honored the Midds can't see how Dave Thompson, Walt Connors and Paul Farrell were overlooked. Oh, for the life of a sports writer (?)

Plans have been completed by Middlebury for the foundation of a Graduate School of French in France. Dr. Stephen A. Freeman, director of the Summer Language School, who will leave for France after Christmas to complete arrangements for the school says, "The goal of the program is the improvement of the quality of instruction in French in American secondary schools."

## Middlebury College CAMPUS

When the Indians were running the country there were no taxes, no debts, and the women did all the work. White men settled here thinking they could improve a system as good as that.

## BonaVenture via the GRIFFIN

See you after the Holidays, gang. Merry Christmas and Happy Mid-years.

# Varsity Letters Awarded To 21

Twenty-one members of the St. Michael's College 1948 football eleven including the manager received their letters this week from Athletic Director George "Doc" Jacobs.

Jacobs, as head grid coach, guided his Purple Knights to five victories in seven starts and to a 2-0 tie for the Vermont title. The Michaelmen racked up the best defensive record in New England, allowing their foes only fifteen points.

Letter winners were: Co-captain Clem Ferris, Pittsfield, Mass.; Co-captain Jack Daly, Floral Park, N.Y.; Mgr. Ken Hanlon, Forest Hills, N.Y.; John Wojciechowski, Pittsfield, Mass.; Dick Klaess, Rockville Centre, N.Y.; Ronnie Coleman, St. Albans, Vt.; Ray Borzelleca, Conshohocken, Pa.; Joe Hermans, Lawrence, Mass.

Jim Whitlock, Charlestown, Mass.; Angelo Fioroni, Westfield, Mass.; Paul Galarneau, Lawrence, Mass.; Jim Conboy, Cohoes, N.Y.; Bob Savoie, Springfield, Mass.; Stan Yankowski, Ludlow, Vt.; Bob Knight, Turners Falls, Mass.; Ed Krupinsky, Springfield, Vt.; Marty Conley, Revere, Mass.; Carl Zucknieovich, Franklin, N.J.; Billy Hart, Williamstown, Mass.; Len Tyl, West Rutland, Vt.; John Suzio, Meriden, Conn.

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# 'Kingdom of Blind' Now In Rehearsal

## Knights and Knaves Ready Modern Play

The Knights and Knaves have chosen for their major production this year a realistic new play, "The Kingdom of the Blind" by Frank Ford. The two act drama is being cast and prepared for Feb. 18 and 19.

General tryouts by Club members were held a week ago last Thursday night and Prof. Henry G. Fairbanks, moderator of the dramatic society, has been holding more detailed and narrowed casting this week. The final cast will be announced shortly.

"The Kingdom of the Blind" is a drama of diabolical possession and modern morals; it will be presented by the Knights and Knaves on the stage of Austin Hall.

Originally produced at the Catholic University Summer Theatre in 1947, it has also been presented this year by the Stagers of St. John's University, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Modern in every respect this drama calls for much emphasis on lighting effects. The play concerns the most terrible of all the devil's physical manifestations - possession. Here the devil takes up residence within the body of the possessed and almost completely takes control of the bodily machinery.

The K & K hope to again go on the road with their production this Spring. Last year the thespians travelled to Bellows Falls and Waterbury, Vt., with their three act success "Ten Little Indians."

Frank Ford author of "Kingdom of the Blind" also wrote "Lucifer At Large" the successful one act play presented by the Senior Class during class play competition.

## Frosh Class Sets Mardi Gras Plans

At its last meeting the Freshman class outlined two events on the school calendar which it would sponsor - the Mardi Gras and a religious event.

The meeting was presided over by Freshman Prexy Tom Shields. An activities committee composed of six members was elected. The committee members are: Bill Timbers, Forrest Rovelle, Frank Nugent, Howard Lancour, Dick McKillop, and Tom Flanagan.

Father Raymond Poirier is Frosh class moderator. The officers are: Tom Shields, president; James McKown, vice president; Joseph Crowley, secretary; Jerry Jermain, treasurer.

## Faculty Frolic

### At Xmas Party

With Building Supt. John Buchan almost filling his Santa Claus suit, the lay faculty, their wives and the religious faculty enjoyed a Christmas party Sunday night at the college library.

Small gifts were exchanged, most of them of a humorous nature. A buffet supper was served under the direction of Steward William Hanlon. Carols were directed by Prof. William Burke. Solos were sung by Prof. John Donoghue, and Dr. Richard Stoehr was the accompanist.

Very Rev. Daniel P. Lyons, college president, thanked the faculty for their help during the year and he especially asked the prayers of the families so that the work of St. Michael's might be further blessed.

## Pere Paulin Apologizes "It Was A Dark Night"

A valid explanation has been advanced for the poor condition of the movies of the Devens game which were shown in Austin Hall last Sunday night.

Conditions existing the night of the Devens game were such that the photographer was unable to obtain proper light.

The poor lighting system and that photographer's curse "technical difficulties" were Fr. Paulin's two big handicaps.

# NFCCS MODERATOR



Prof. Harold Carr

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recently presented here at school, the night's success may be reflected in the opinion of one satisfied Michaelman.

Mr. John Trotier of Orleans says, "I have been in 26 countries and have visited all 48 states and never have I seen a dance which could beat this one - and let me tell you I've seen a lot of dances."

## Commercial Xmas Hit By LeBlanc

The Mission Crusaders on Friday evening, December 10, heard an address delivered by Arthur LeBlanc. Mr. LeBlanc, an active member of the Mission Crusade, is a graduate of Norwich University.

Having resigned from a fellowship in physical chemistry at Notre Dame University, Mr. LeBlanc, a pre-theological student, is now pursuing his courses in Scholastic Philosophy at this college.

Catholic Action was the central theme of Mr. LeBlanc's address which appropriately applied to all of the crusaders. He brought out that the world is a materialistic haven which has closed its eyes upon the true meaning of Christmas.

"Christmas," he said, "is the time when merchants do a larger business than the other eleven months of the year. The world of 1947 gave its Christmas present of Forever Amber to the American public, with God's Little Acre and the Kinsey Report as the gift for 1948."

Mr. LeBlanc emphasized how little we Catholics realize the meaning of Christmas Eve with all the parties which are sometimes interrupted by those wishing to attend Mid-night Mass, only to be resumed again to all hours of the morning. "It is up to us," Mr. LeBlanc said, "to decommercialize Christmas and to remember the true founder of the great day who is forgotten after only 1900 years."

He reminded us, how hard is the Cross of Christ and quoted from Woodlock, "Mankind has given up Pattern which was not proven false, but inconvenient. As good Catholic students, we ought to encourage our families to be more frequent partakers of Christ in the Eucharist."

In his summary, one thought was simply but strongly impressed by this phrase, "Take home a bundle of Catholicism as your present to Christ."

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# Praise For Active Spiritual Life Here Voiced by Father Larkin Upon Return

Father Garrett Larkin, back at the Hilltop for the first time since 1931, expressed his amazement at the remarkable growth of St. Michael's during the seventeen years he had been away.

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land Ave., Tuckahoe.

Father Johnson who will be ordained by the Most Rev. Thomas M. O'Leary at St. Michael's Cathedral at 8 in Springfield with the other two Springfield alumni, will say his first Solemn High Mass Sunday, Dec. 19, at 11 in Our Lady of Hope Church, Springfield, with reception from 4 to 6 in the Knights of Columbus Hall in West Springfield.

Father Martin will say his first Solemn High Mass Sunday, Dec. 19, at 9 in Our Lady of Hope Church with reception from 3 to 6 in St. Mary's Hall, East Springfield.

Father Peter G. Loughran will say his first Solemn High Mass Sunday, Dec. 19, at 11 in St. Mary's Church, East Springfield, with reception from 4 to 6 in Our Lady of Hope parish hall.

All three Springfield priests were members of the class of '41 at Cathedral High School in Springfield before entering St. Michael's College.

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of a dark brown desk.

The light power reflected from the dark surface is not the same as the light power from the paper. To offset this difference, the desks will be changed. "We'll have 'blond' desks in the future," he said.

The rooms have been painted either pastel blue or yellow according to their use. The radiators have been painted a rose color, for when all the rooms are complete, the light reflected from them will be equalized.

"No matter where you sit in one of these rooms," says Mr. Buchan, "you will get as much light in a corner as you would directly under the light itself."

At the present time, G. E. is publishing a pamphlet on the lighting problem. This will be of invaluable help in the planning of future school buildings and in interior decorating.

## Winter Carnival Plans OK'd by SAC

Outing Club Weekend  
Includes Sports, Dancing

Representatives from the Outing Club met with the Student Activities Council last Monday night and presented a well organized plan for the forthcoming Winter Week-end, February 4, 5, and 6, which was approved unanimously by the members of the SAC.

Clem Hamelle, chairman of the affair, outlined the events and estimated expense of the undertaking. The program included an inter-collegiate ski meet and speed skating, a semi-formal, a hockey game and other events of interest to satisfy all tastes.

Reports of the various committees were heard and most action was postponed until after the holidays.

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